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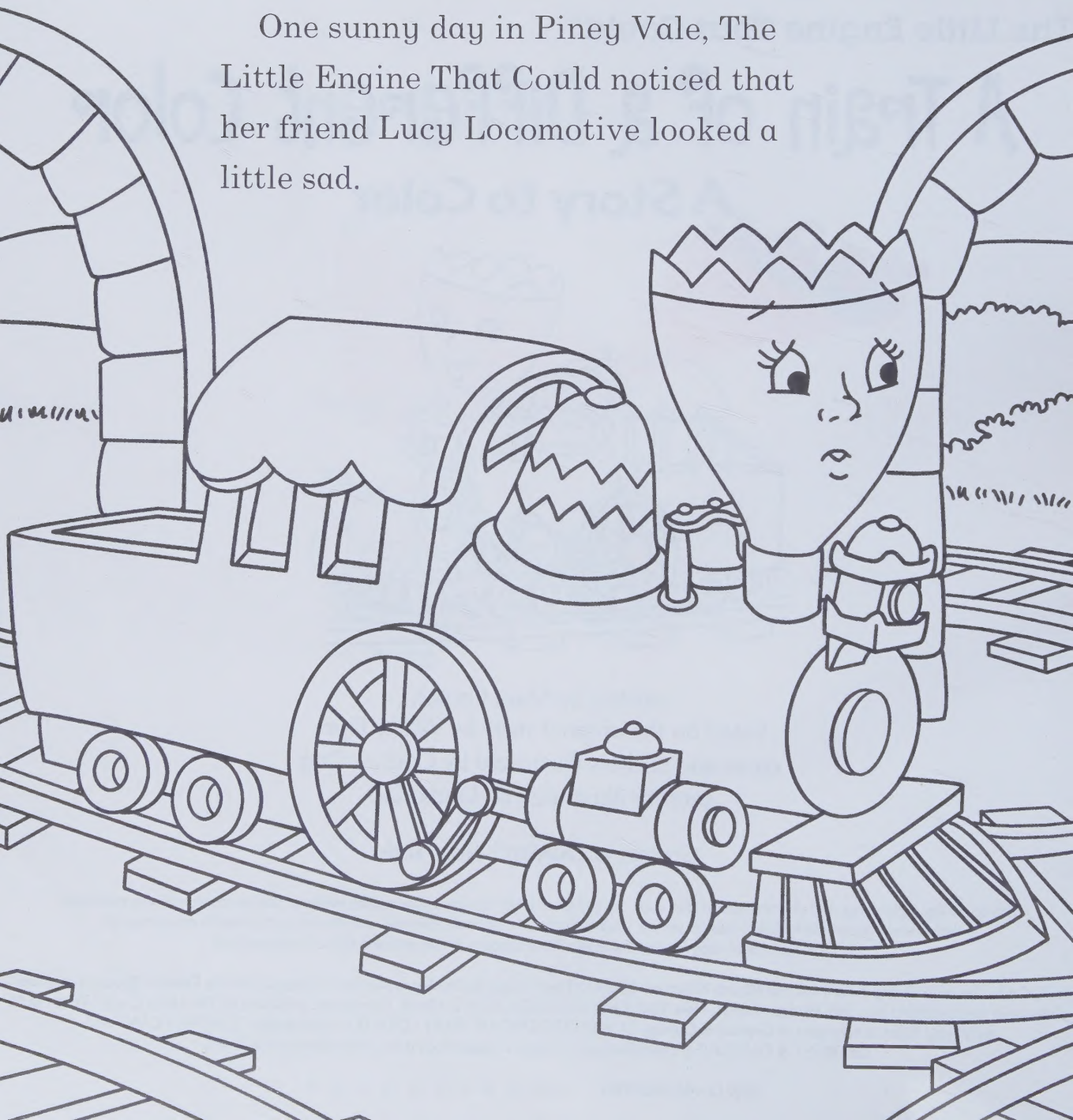
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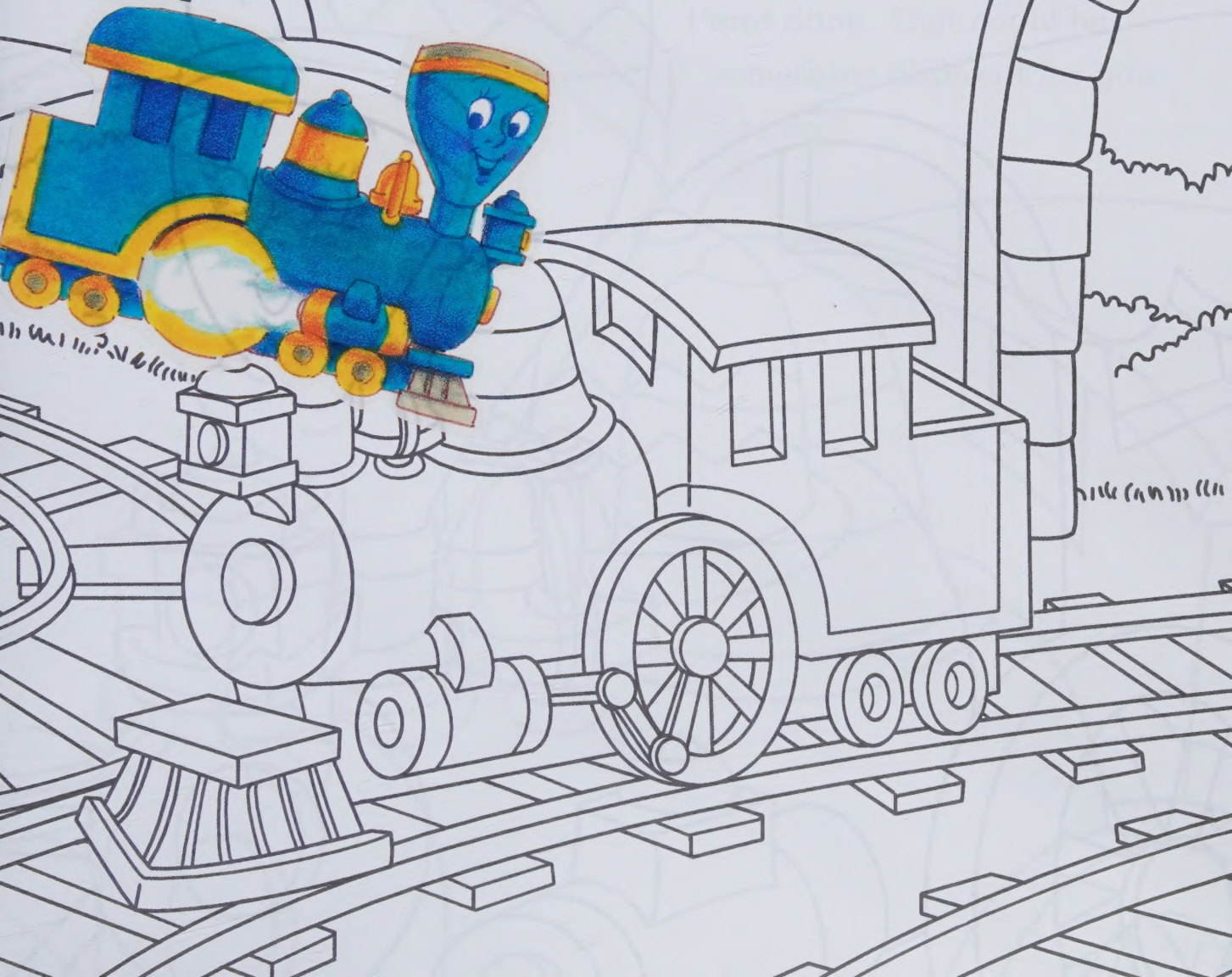
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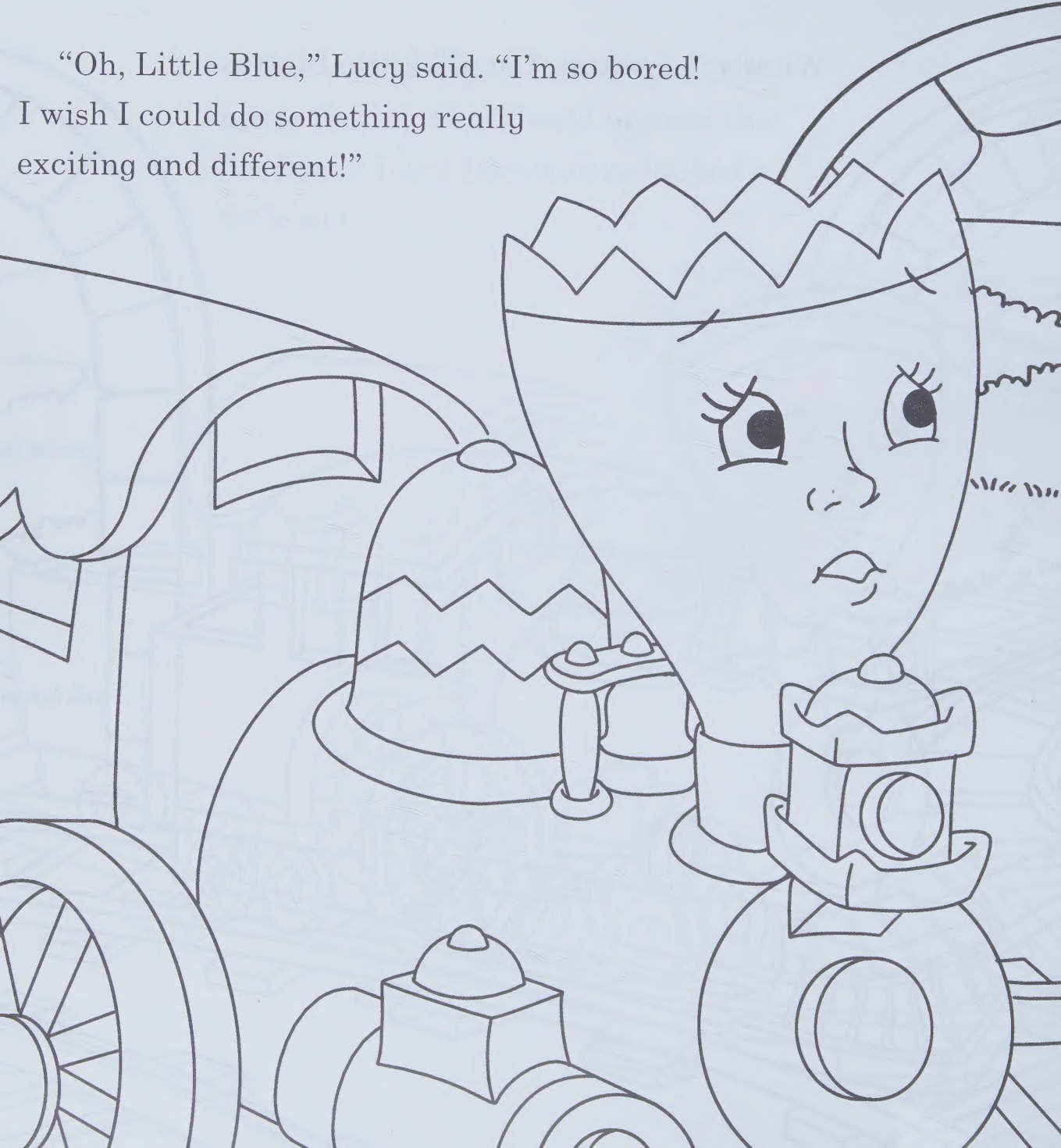
One sunny day in Piney Vale, The Little Engine That Could noticed that her friend Lucy Locomotive looked a little sad.



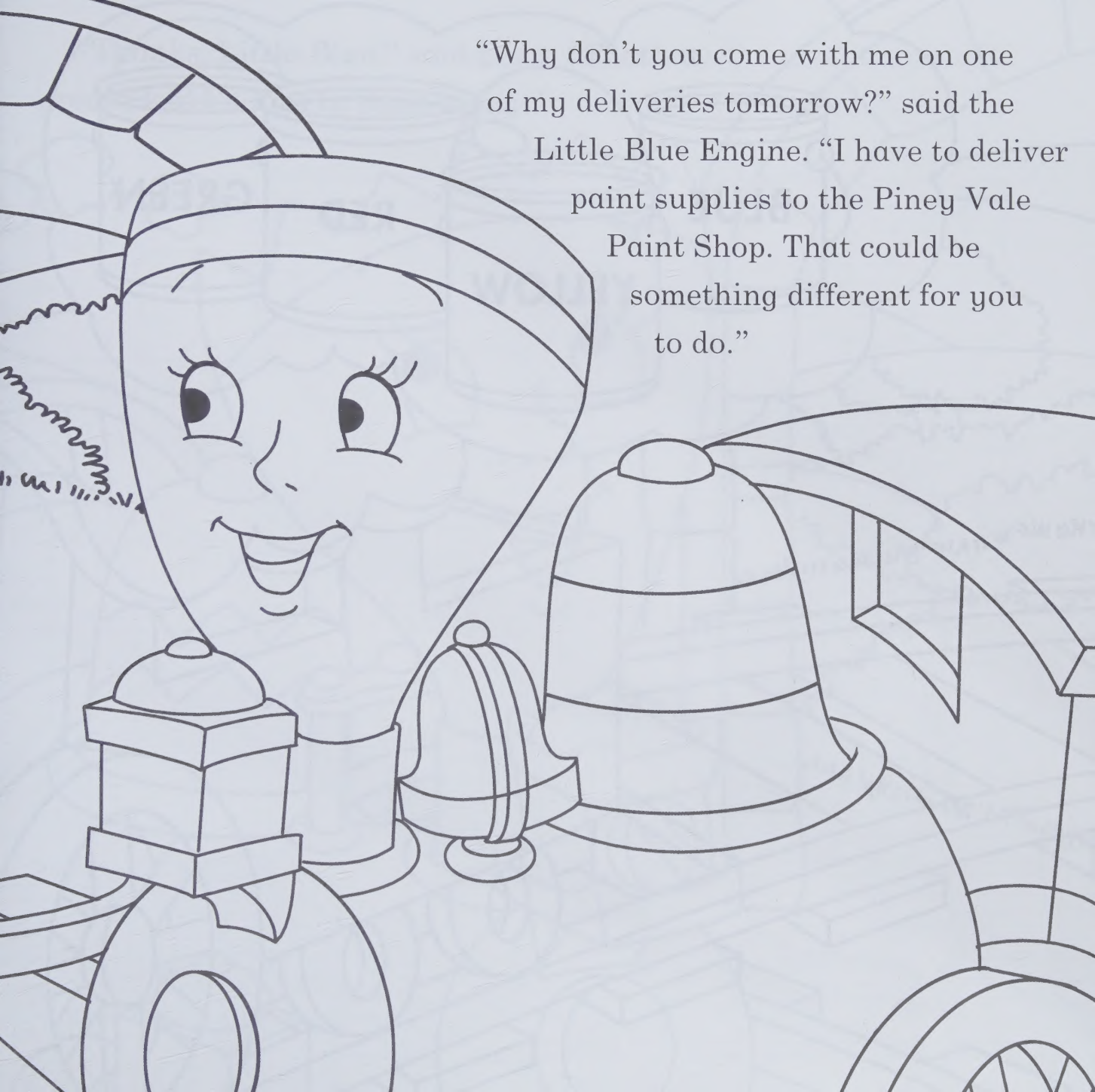
“What’s the matter, Lucy?” Little Blue asked.

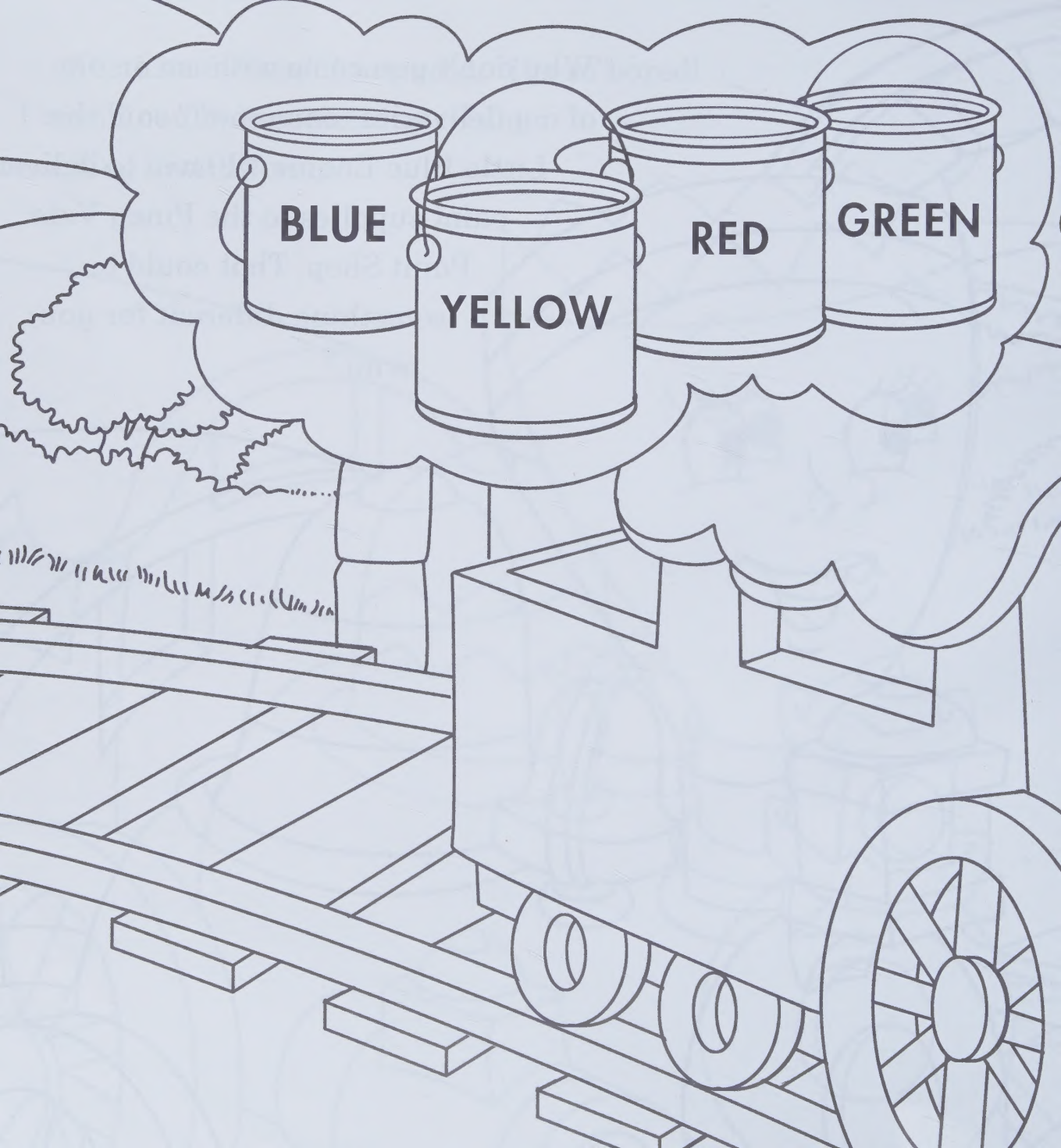


“Oh, Little Blue,” Lucy said. “I’m so bored!
I wish I could do something really
exciting and different!”



“Why don’t you come with me on one of my deliveries tomorrow?” said the Little Blue Engine. “I have to deliver paint supplies to the Piney Vale Paint Shop. That could be something different for you to do.”





BLUE

YELLOW

RED

GREEN

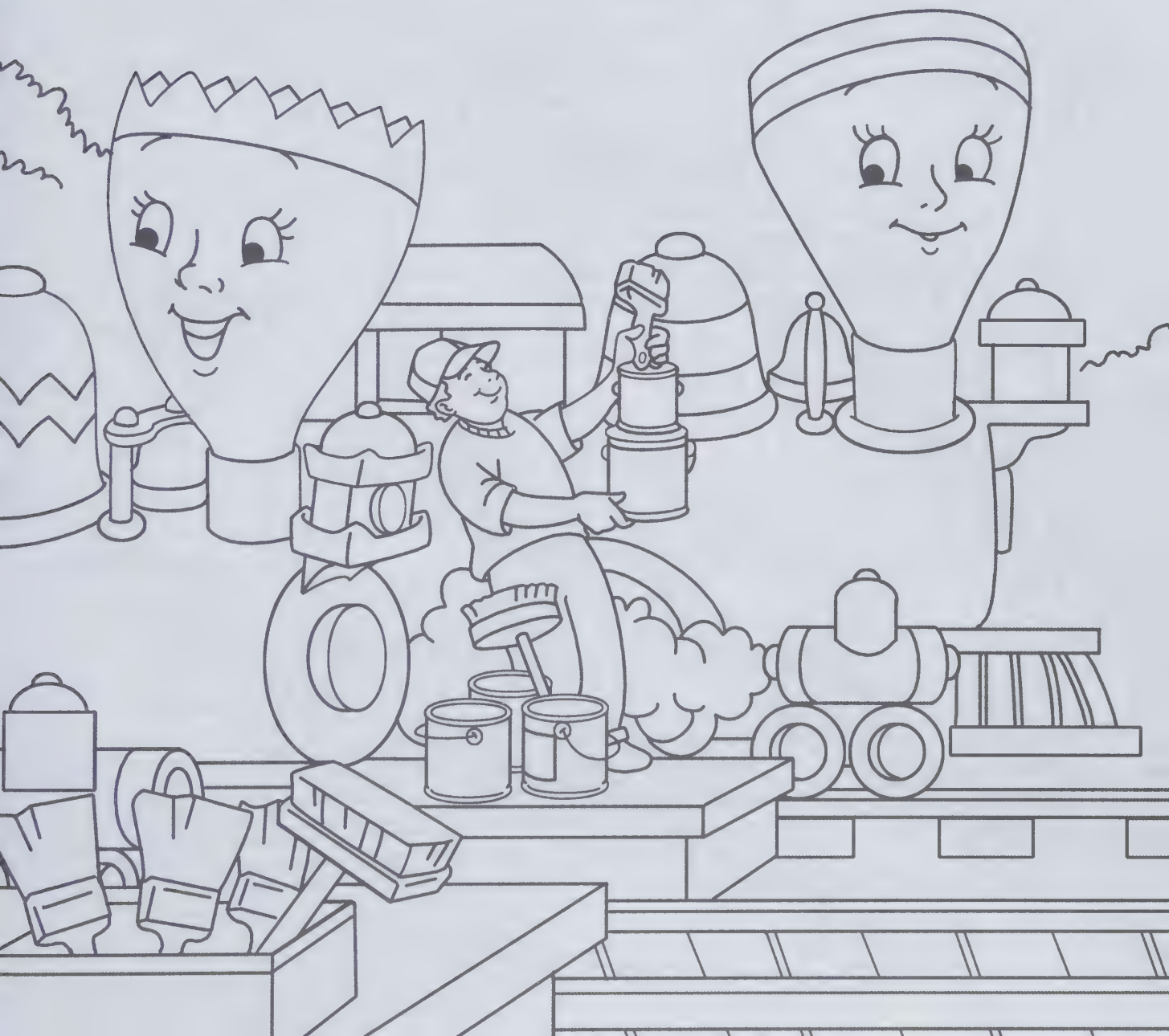
“Thanks, Little Blue,” said Lucy. “That’s a great idea! I’d love to come along.”

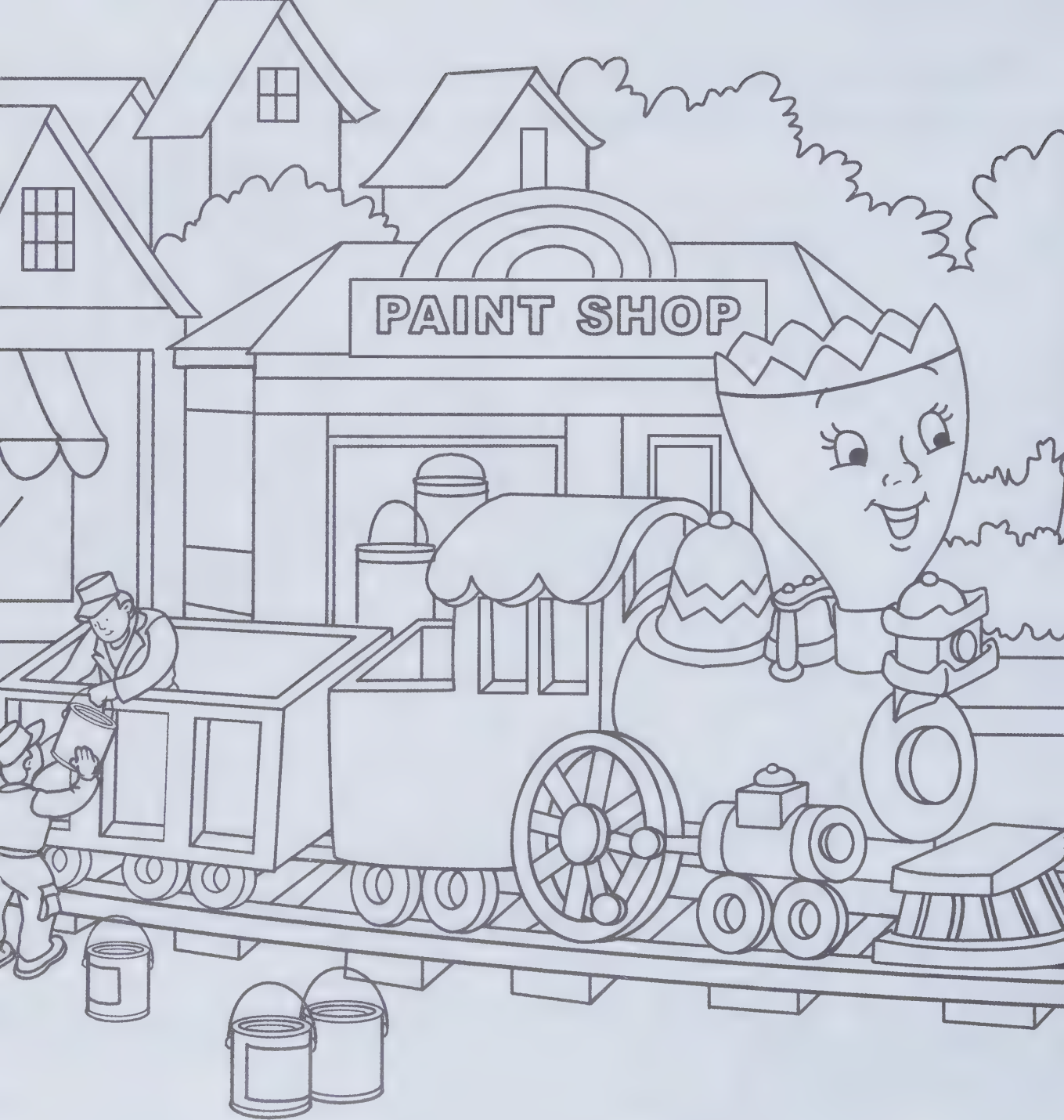


The next day, Lucy watched as workers loaded all of the paintbrushes and cans of brightly colored paints into the Little Blue Engine's wagon.



When the men ran out of space in the Little Blue Engine's wagon, they loaded some of the paint into Lucy's wagon.

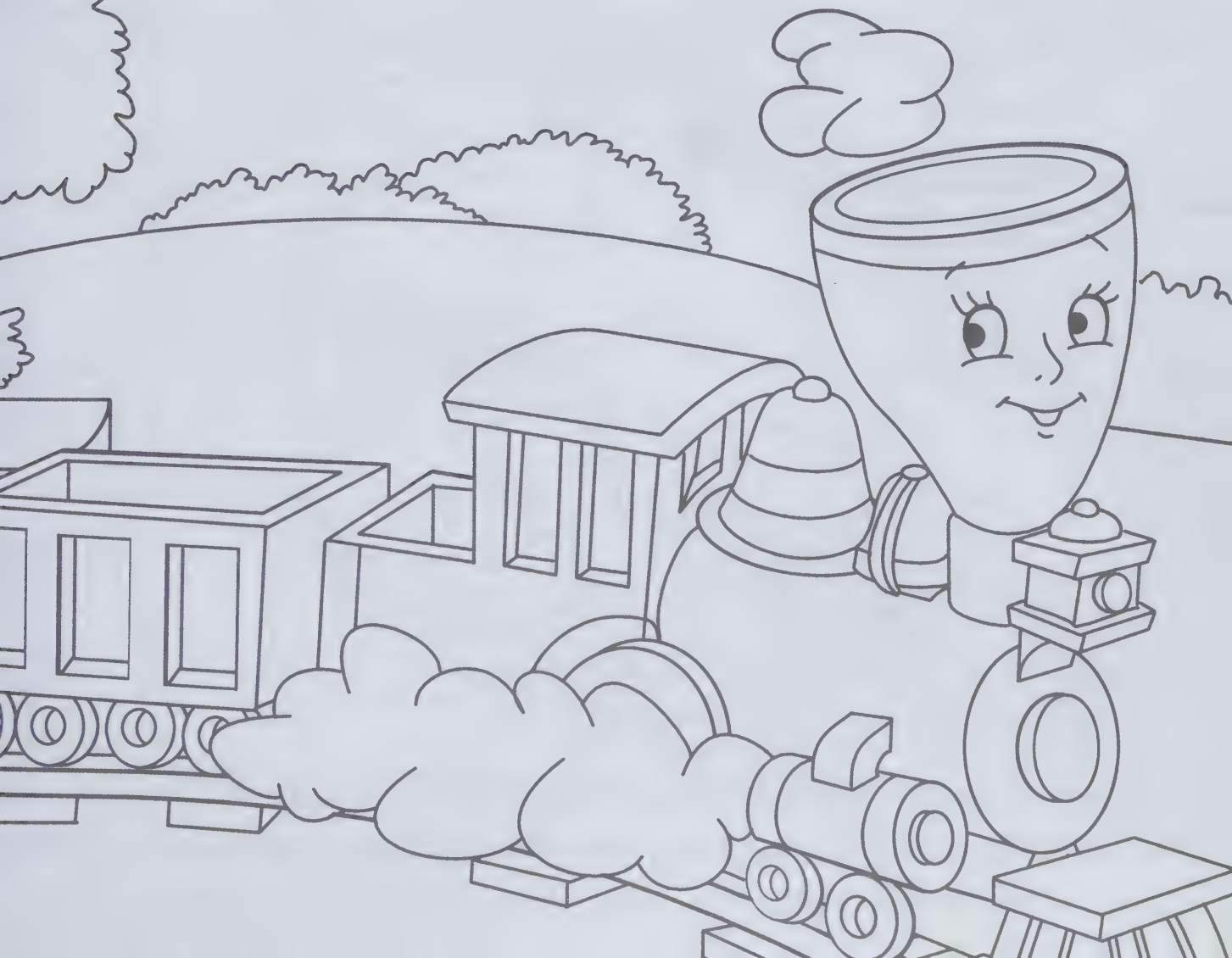


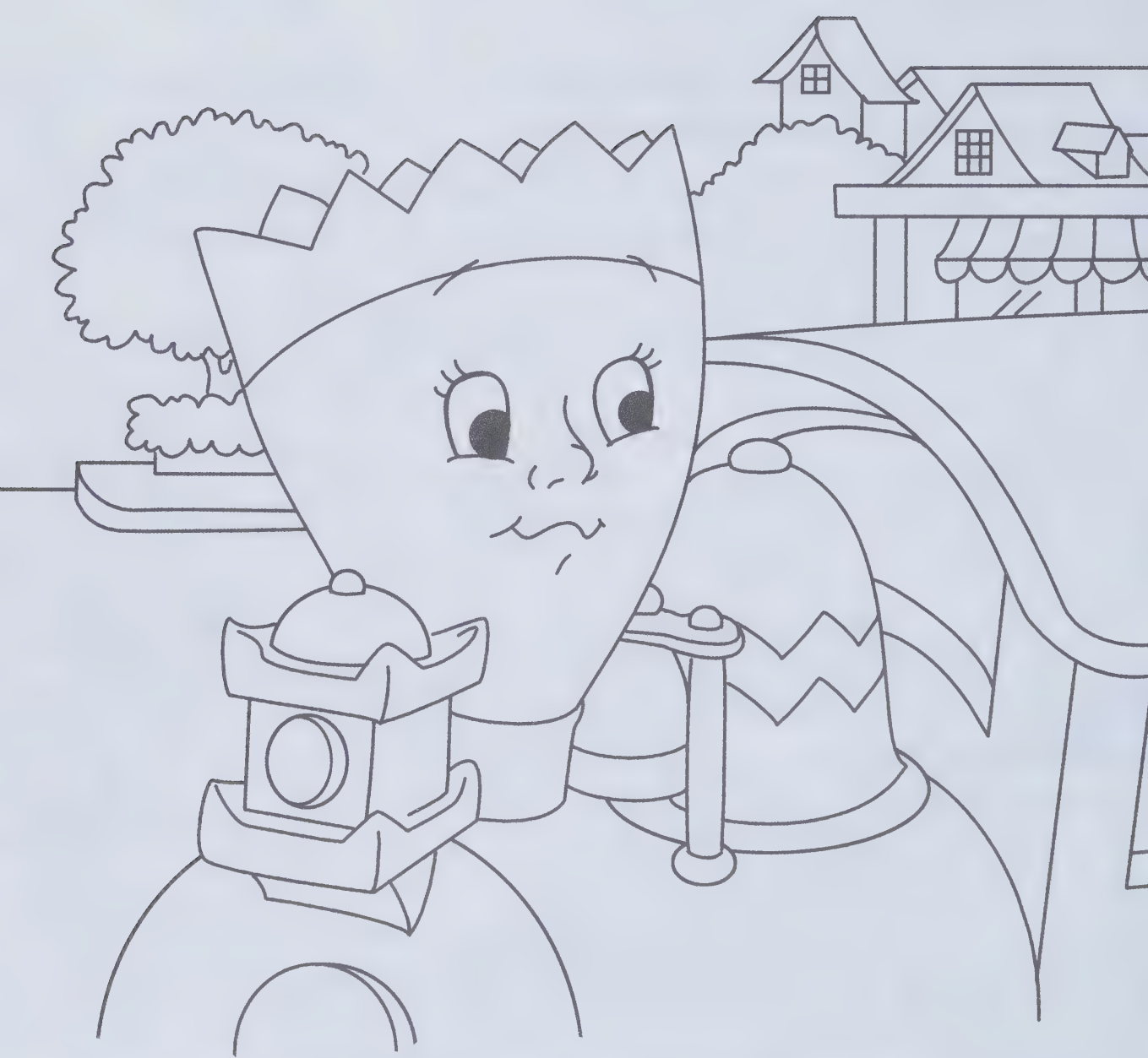


“Thanks for letting me come with you, Little Blue,” Lucy told her friend after they had made the delivery.

“Anytime, Lucy. I hope you had fun and feel a little better now.”

The Little Blue Engine started to chug away. “I’ll see you later.”

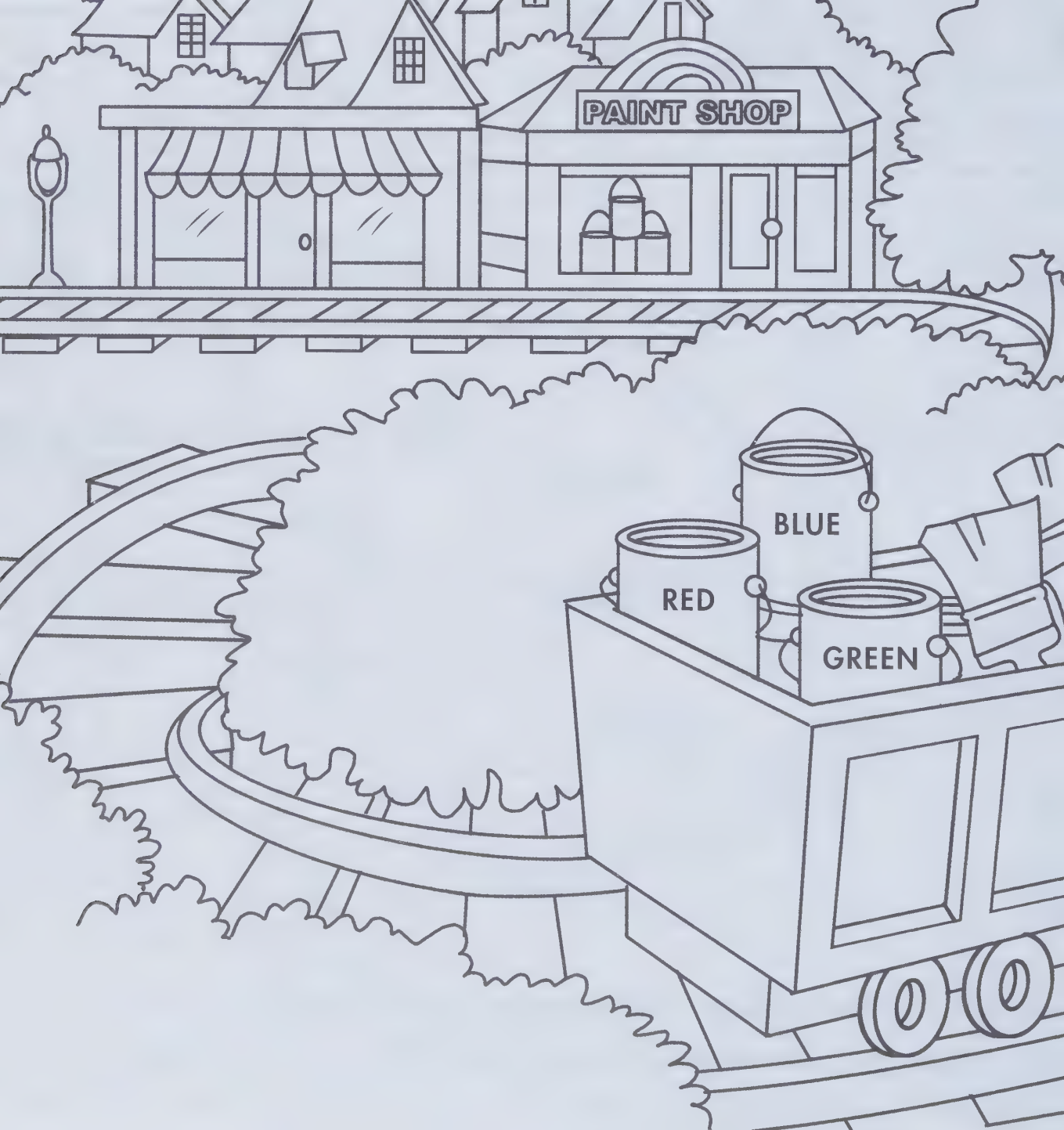


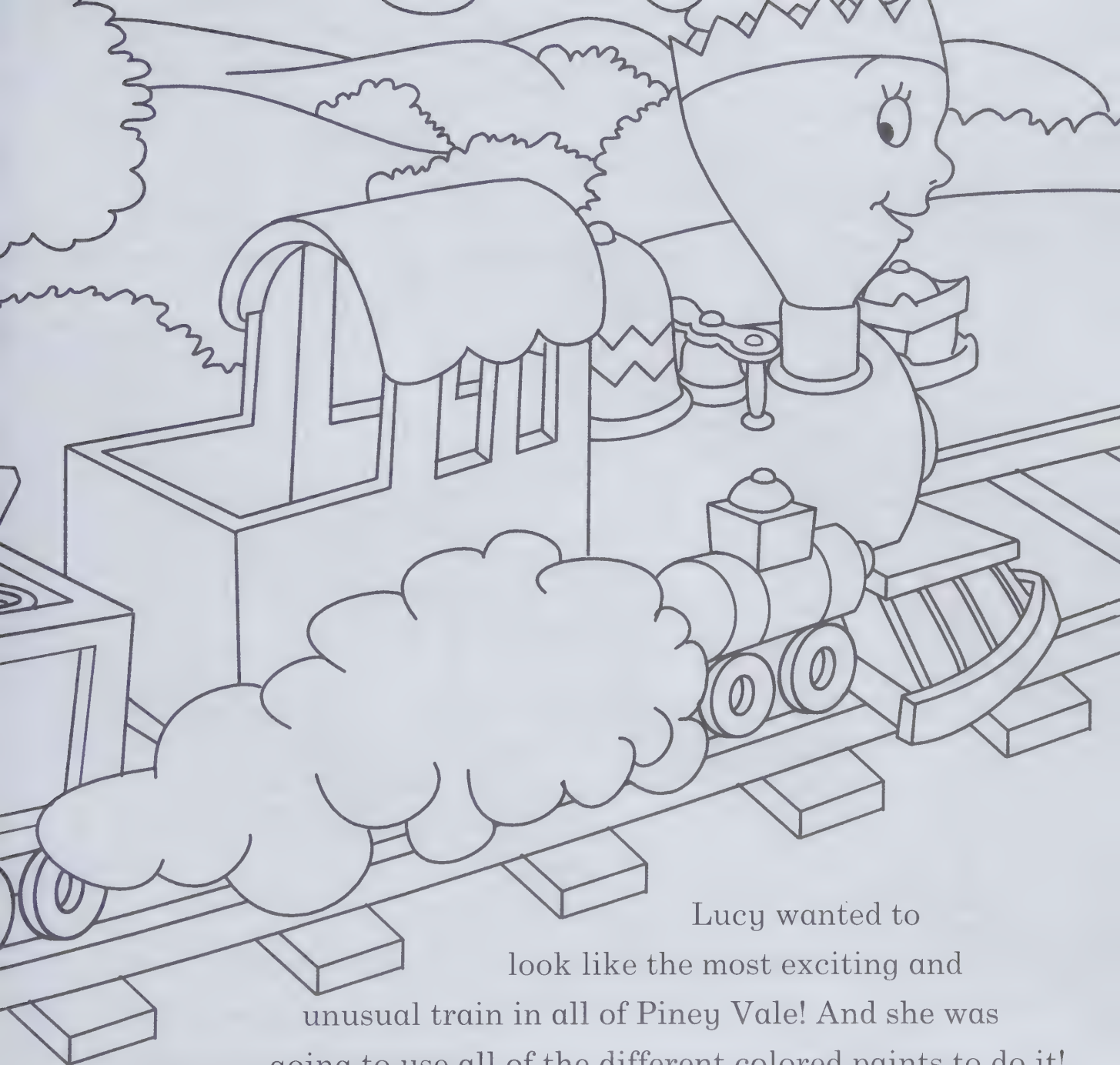


Lucy stayed behind in the paint shop. *This is going to be fun!* she thought. *No more boring purple for me!* She picked out a big can of blue paint. Then she found a green can of paint and a red can of paint, too.

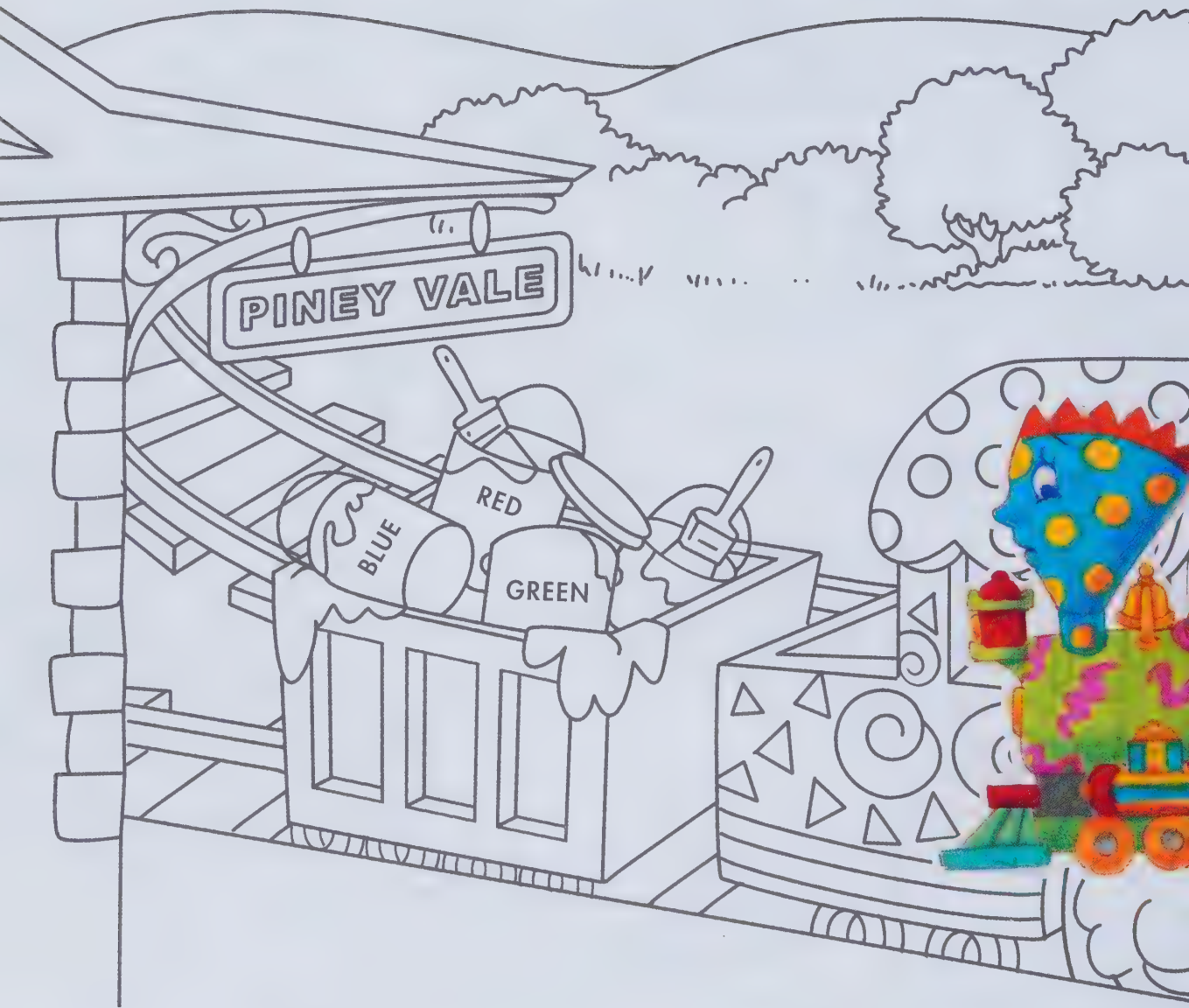


"I'll take these!" Lucy said as she paid the clerk in the store, who loaded the cans of paint back into her wagon.

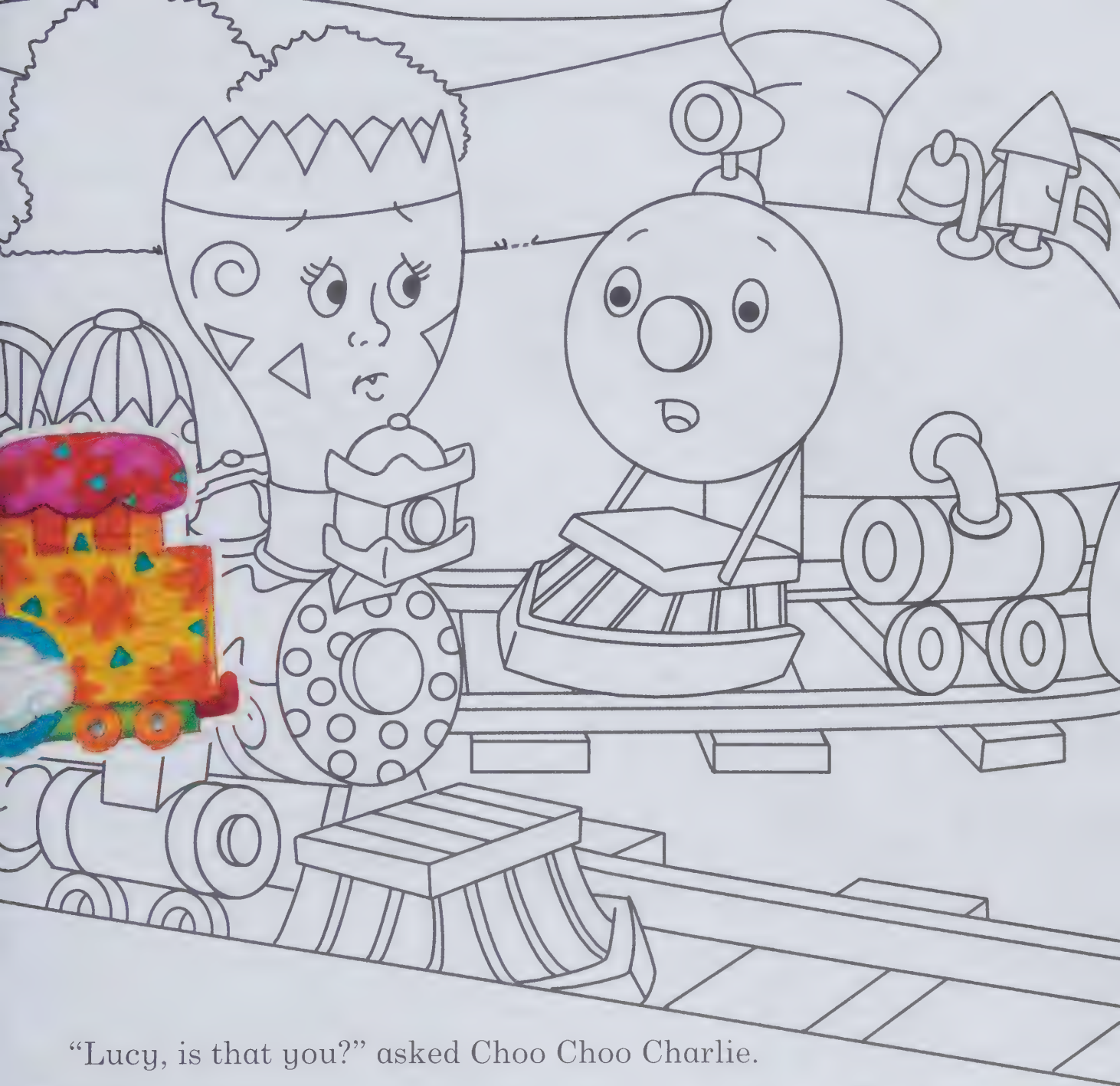




Lucy wanted to
look like the most exciting and
unusual train in all of Piney Vale! And she was
going to use all of the different colored paints to do it!

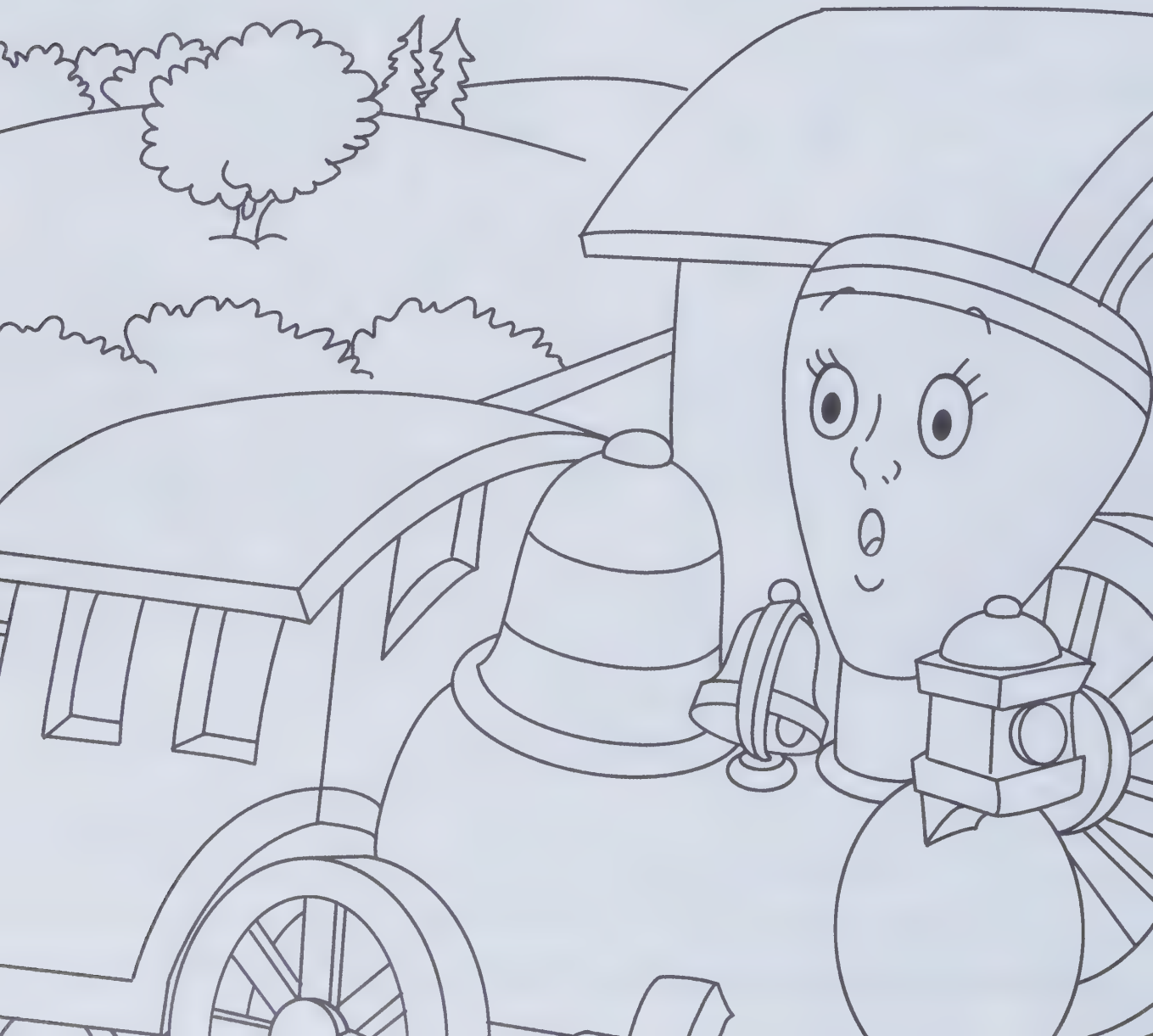


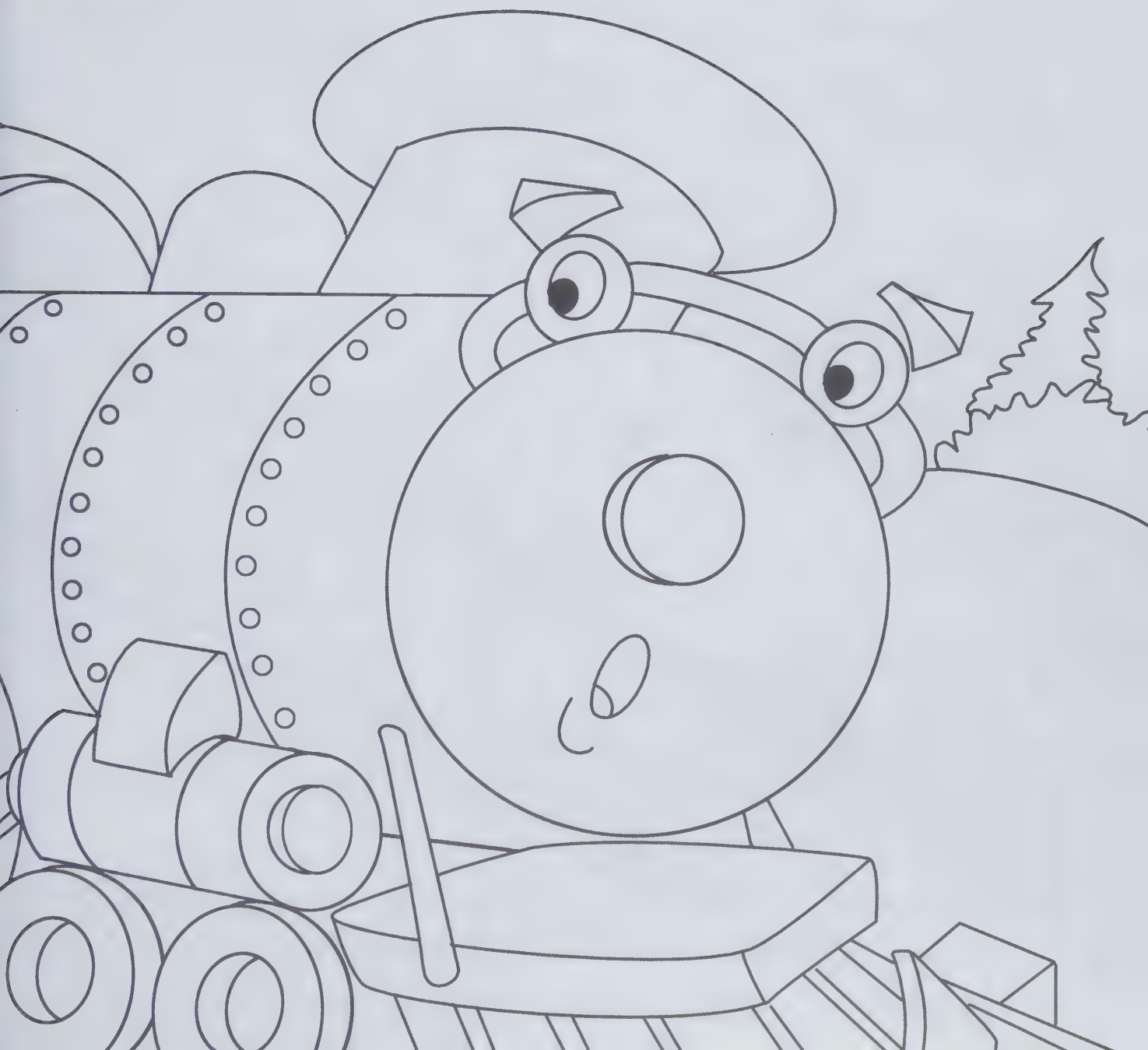
By the time Lucy chugged back into the train station, she was covered with polka dots, stripes, triangles, and squiggles of all different colors—except purple! Her friends hardly recognized her.



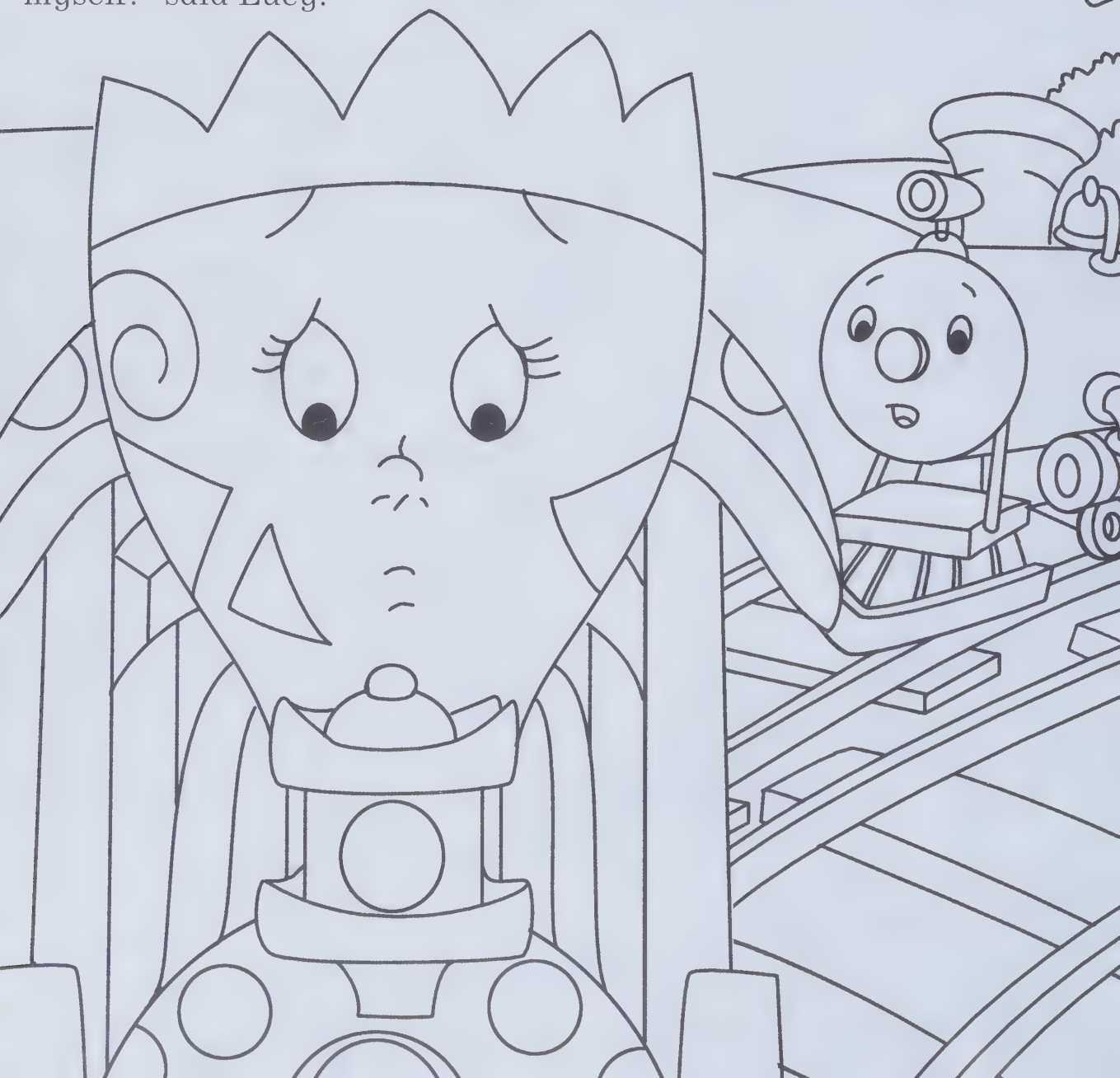
“Lucy, is that you?” asked Choo Choo Charlie.

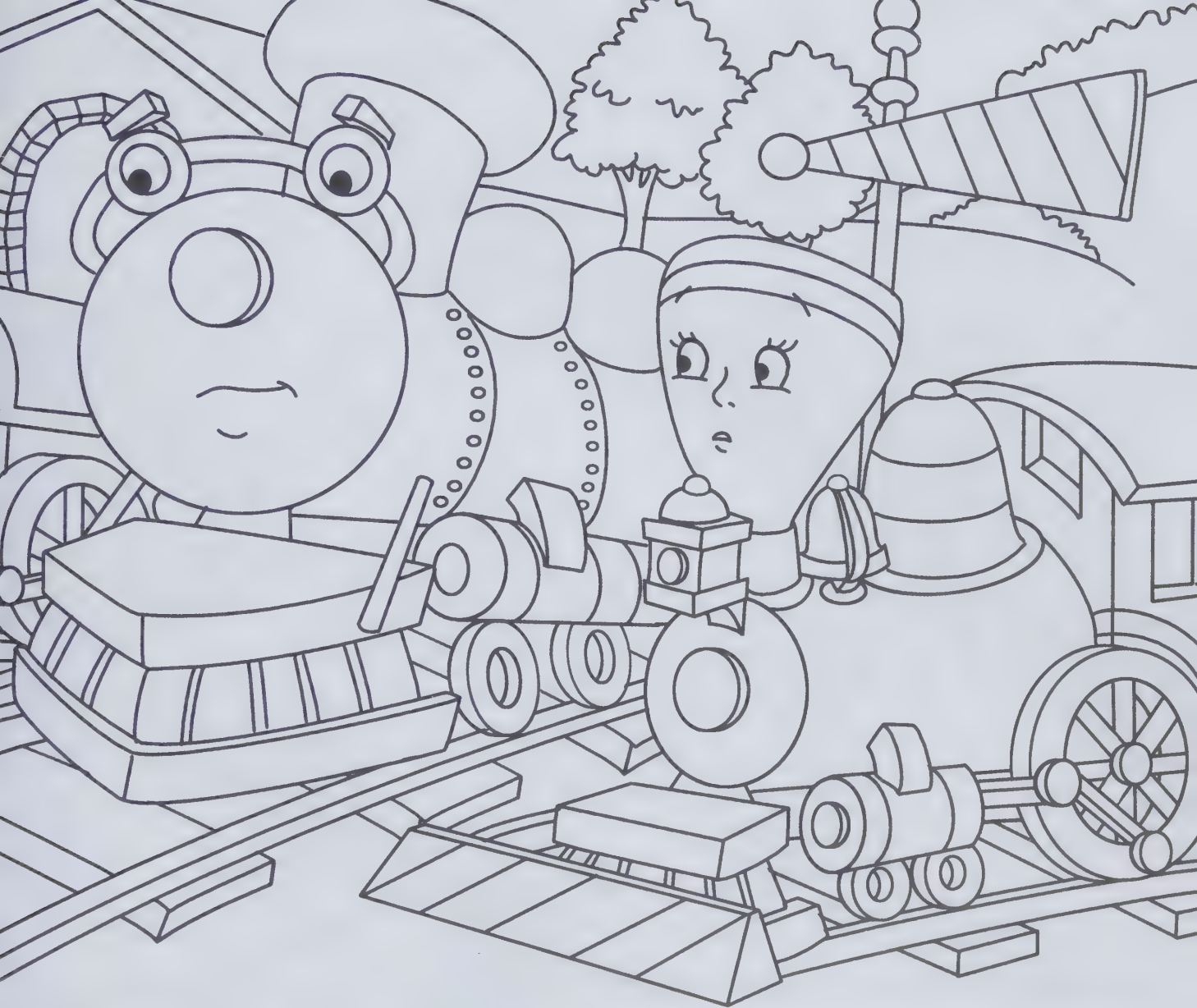
Just then, Engine Eddie and the Little Blue Engine pulled up.
“What’s all of this?” asked Engine Eddie. “What happened to
your pretty purple color?”





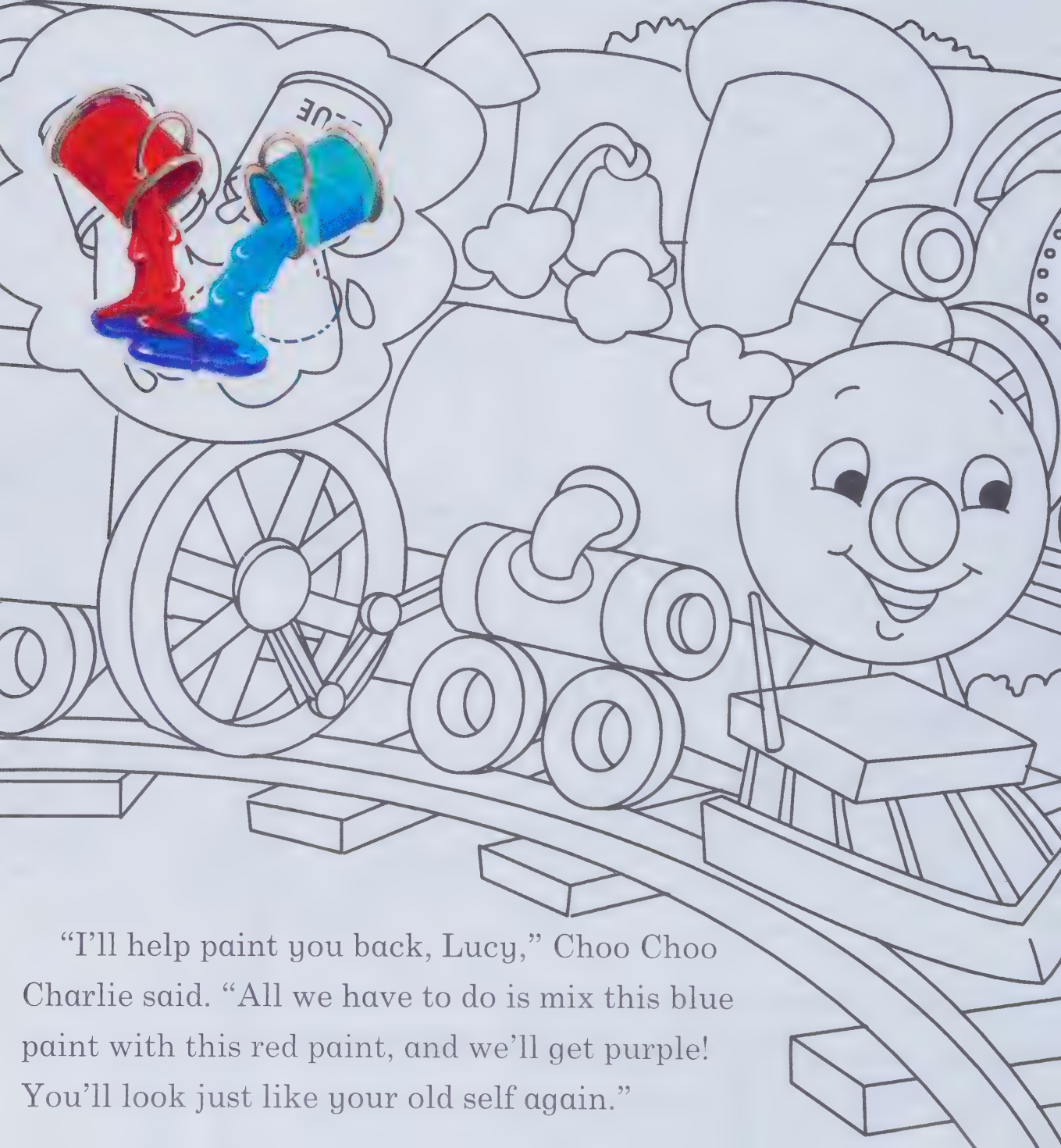
“I guess I was trying so hard to be different that I forgot to just be myself!” said Lucy.



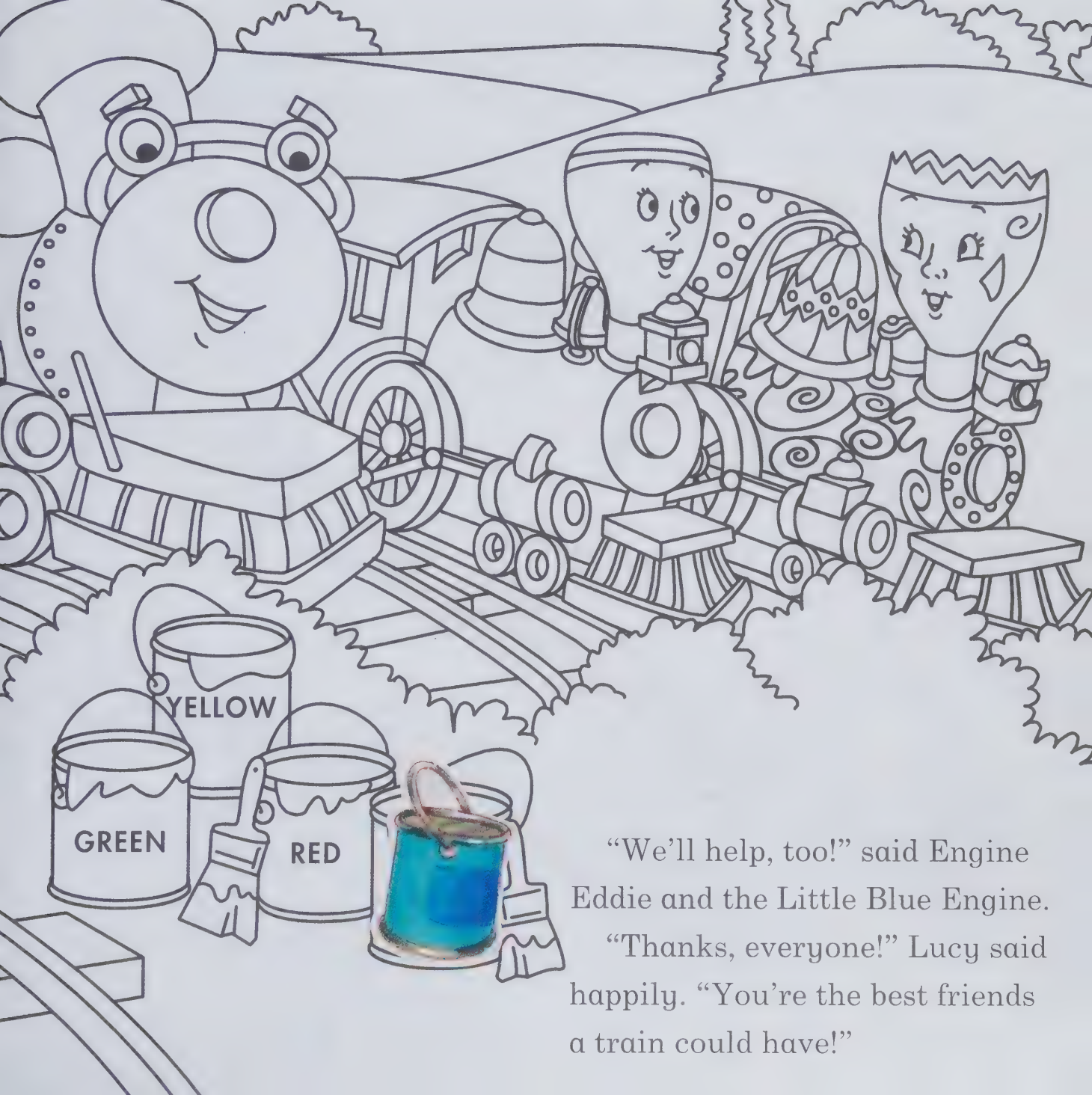


“I think you make a nice rainbow,” said Choo Choo Charlie. “But it doesn’t seem as if you like your new colors much!”

“I don’t!” said Lucy. “Maybe being purple wasn’t so bad after all.”



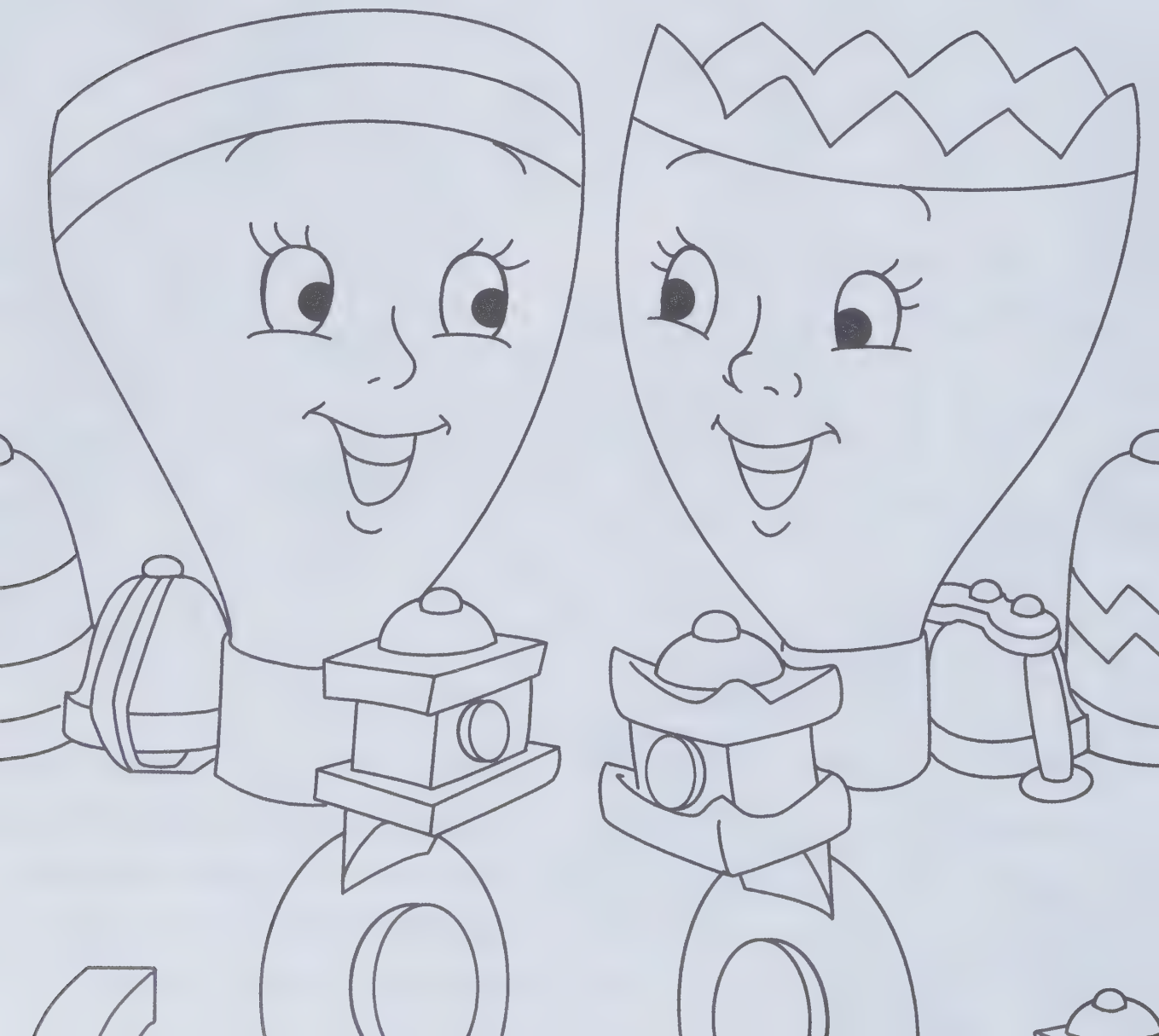
“I’ll help paint you back, Lucy,” Choo Choo Charlie said. “All we have to do is mix this blue paint with this red paint, and we’ll get purple! You’ll look just like your old self again.”

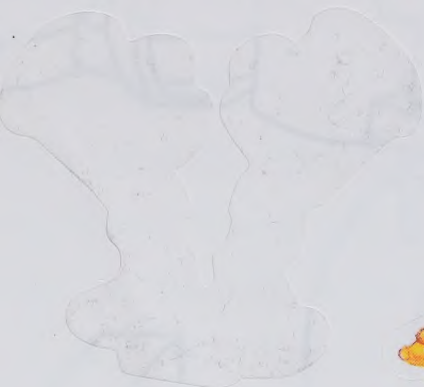


“We’ll help, too!” said Engine Eddie and the Little Blue Engine.

“Thanks, everyone!” Lucy said happily. “You’re the best friends a train could have!”

“There’s nothing wrong with trying out new things,” the Little Blue Engine told her friend. “Just don’t forget that you’re very special—just the way you are!”





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